

338 PSYCHOLOGICAL DATA :
DEVELOPMENT

' wee-wee-ing' into the wash-hand basin." (P. 139, 21.4.25)

" The carpenter arrived to fasten up the trellis railing. Dan and Frank watched him with great interest. They watched him tar the wooden support, and wanted to touch it and to use the tar. When the carpenter said, ' No, don't touch that, it will make you in a mess/ they said, ' Oh, we should like to be in a mess, we should *like* to be black/ "

The compulsive type of exhibitionism occurring in perverse adults derives from these secondary functions, and chiefly the second mode. A less compulsive form of exhibitionism arises from a desire to have the genital, or the body as a whole (or less directly, the personality and social gifts), proved good by its power to give pleasure to others. If not too pronounced, this is, of course, a normal element in every love relation and every socially permitted type of self-display.

In the strong wish of the little boy quoted on p, 137, to have his genital admired, the controlling factor must have been his overwhelming need to have his genital found good in the eyes of his sisters. Only the fear of its being bad and destructive could have led to this urgent and repeated exposure after severe correction, and the boy was undoubtedly in need of psychological help.¹

There is one special point of interest to be noted in the *Records* (p. 135, 14.11.24.): " While resting, Frank and George had taken their socks off. Frank said to George, ' I can see your big toe/ with- a giggle ; whereupon George immediately pulled his penis out/' Frank's challenge about seeing George's toe thus immediately stimulates George to display his genital. George intuitively apprehended Frank's deeper intention and unconscious reference to the genital,

¹ " I am so very much upset and worried over my little

boy of five
years old, Z. He is a very bright, handsome and
affectionate child and
everyone thinks him charming. He is an only boy, with
two little
sisters, one older and one younger than him. About a
month ago I
heard him say to his sister, 'I know a good game '—
then I heard
laughter—then, ' I'll do it again/ I looked in and to my
horror saw
him pull out his little penis and jump up beside his
sister who was
reading on the sofa. I sent him upstairs to bed, but next
day when he
was sent to the lavatory, I heard him call, ' Come with
me, Mary, and
see my " suckie " when I go to wee-wee.' I took him to
his Daddy who
spanked him and threatened to send him away to a
school for naughty
rude boys. He wept bitterly and was most subdued for a
day and I did
so hope it was but a transitory thing, and to-day when I
was getting
their dinner ready and they were playing in the next
room with the
door ajar I heard him say * here aren't I pretty, would
you like to look
at this ' and saw him lift his pinafore and start to undo
his knickers ! "